

## Skill Sheet 13-I-24

**Objective 41:** Simulate the procedure for controlling a loose hoseline. (*NFPA® 1001, 5.3.10*)

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Directions

For this skills evaluation checklist, students will simulate the procedure for controlling a loose hoseline. Students must work with another student to complete this skill.

A loose hoseline is one through which water is flowing — through a nozzle, an open butt, or a broken line — but which is not under control by firefighters. This situation is very dangerous. Because it is under pressure, a loose hoseline whips back and forth and up and down with great force and may injure a firefighter or bystander. Closing a valve to shut off the flow of water is the safest way to control a loose line. The valve may be shut off at the pump or at the hydrant, the hose may be kinked, or a hose clamp may be used at a stationary point in the hoseline.

**WARNING!** Do not perform this procedure with an actual loose line. The unpredictability of the line makes the risk of injury to the trainee too great.

### Equipment & Materials

- Full protective clothing including SCBA
- Charged line

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**Criteria & Evaluation Comments**

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Criteria (determined by the AHJ)

*After the candidate has completed the skill sheet, write comments below.*

Evaluator/Candidate Comments

Pass

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Fail

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Evaluator Signature

Date

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Student Signature

Date

## Skills Evaluation Checklist

**Objective 41:** Simulate the procedure for controlling a loose hoseline.

Task Steps		Yes	No
1.	Lower faceshield.		
2.	Position by hoseline, 30 to 40 feet (9 m to 12 m) from butt or nozzle and facing nozzle or butt.		
3.	Move forward cautiously toward uncontrolled end of hose using a crawling motion.		
4.	Pin the end of the hose to the ground to control the line until second firefighter signals that water flow is halted.		